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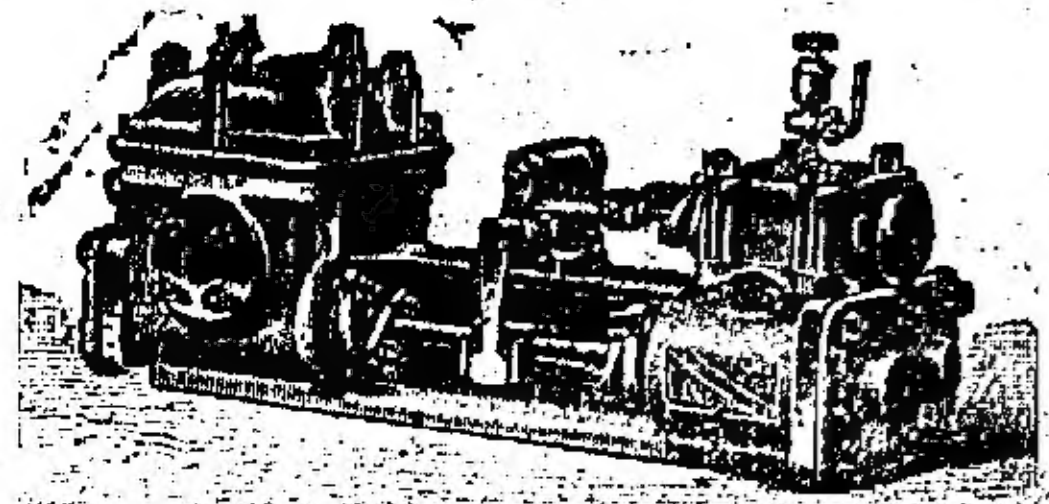
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noon, when the following resolution will be
proposed: Should the resolution be
passed by the required majority it will be
submitted for confirmation at a special
resolution to a Second Extraordinary
Meeting, which will be subsequently con-
vened.

That the Memorandum and Articles
of Association submitted to this Meet-
ing be and the same are hereby
approved and that pursuant to the
provisions of the Companies (Memor-
andum of Association) Ordinance,
1890, the form of the Company's
Constitution be altered by substituting
with extended objects as therein set
forth and such Articles of Association for
the Company's Deed of Settlement
dated the 29th of August, 1883,
and for all regulations of the Com-
pany subsequently made and now in
force; and that the Directors be
authorized to apply to the Court to
confirm this resolution under the
said Ordinance.

A copy of the Memorandum and Articles
referred to in the above resolution lies at
the Office of the Company at Queen's Build-
ings aforesaid, and can be inspected on
application any time during Office hours.
Dated the 16th June, 1899.
By Order of the Board,
THOS. I. ROSE,
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Hongkong, May 4, 1899. 1113

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NSAKI KOBE... G. K. WRIGHT, R.N.R. About 6th July.

SHANGHAI... F. W. VIBERT, R.N.R. About 7th July.

LONDON, &c... S. BARCLAY... Noon, 8th July.

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News in Brief

For the benefit of the judges and members of the Straits Settlements, where porters in Singapore Free Press call attention to the recent summary treatment of a prisoner in the Hongkong Supreme Court by His Honour the Acting Chief Justice.

The Japan Mail states the marriage, in Saitama, of Mr. M. de Bunsen, formerly British Charge d'Affaires at Tokyo to Mrs. Corry.

News has been received in Yokohama, by wire, of the death from sunstroke at Manila of Capt. H. E. Nicholls, of the U. S. Monitor Mouchou.

There were 217 European and 1,029 Chinese visitors to the City Hall Museum during the week ending 26th June.

The master of the German Steamer Dundas reports that on the 23rd inst., when passing about 6° to the westward of the North reef of the Paracels he had five distinct hums, apparently wrecks, on the rocks.

The Flague. During the twenty-four hours ended noon, today, there were 27 cases of plague and 25 deaths from that disease reported to the Sanitary Board.

Indo-China Reports. Much satisfaction will be felt by China shareholders over the fact that dividends have been declared free of income tax.

This has been felt most keenly for some years past, as many holders should not be called upon to pay any income tax whatever in England. The report will except the Kowloon matter, which reflects very seriously against our Foreign Office, creditable to all concerned.

M. Doumer's Return from Yunnan. M. Doumer, Governor-General of Indo-China, has returned from his pilgrimage to Yunnan-fu, the Mecca of French political aspirations in China. He has made the trip on the principle of the "black clerk's" Saturday-to-Monday at Brighton. Having got there, and not finding a branch establishment of the Hotel Cecil, he turned round, and came back with express speed to Tonkin, arriving at Haiphong on the 14th inst., travelling at once to Vietri accompanied by Messrs Brou and Faure. Arriving at Haiphong on the 18th inst., he at once left for the health resort of Deauville. The Governor-General is pleased with his trip, which is, in its way, an object of his own gubernatorial voyage to Canton, and will probably be as useful, to him, of course, as the trip to Deauville. He was, of course, suffered from the perils of the trip, but he is not seriously injured. He was expected to return to Saigon about the 30th inst.

Travelling 'de Luxe'. On Friday, we printed a reference to 'The Imperial Limited', the fast train which leaves Vancouver daily at 1.15 p.m. and runs through to Montreal, without change, in 100 hours, thereby shortening the time crossing the Continent by 24 hours. The following additional details are furnished by Mr. D. E. Brown, the General Agent of the C.P.R. in Hong-kong:

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VESSAITS AT THE DOCKS.—At Kowloon: Isla de Cuba, Isla de Luzon, Kutsu, Zafiro, Dragon Gulch, Hongkong.

Commodore.—Don Juan de Austria, Hoped.

Aberdeen.—(None).

China Politics in a Nutshell. The Peking correspondent of the N. C. Daily News writes:—After all the talking and writing about the Russian proposal to construct a railway from Khabarovsk direct to Peking, it is now credibly reported that the Russian Government has decided to supplement the recent Anglo-Russian Convention this little affair is practically arranged. Peking manufactures reports and Shanghai is busy with the diplomatic and political side of the matter. The Russian proposal is to build a railway from Khabarovsk to Peking, and to build a branch line to the coast at Vladivostok. The Russian proposal is to build a railway from Khabarovsk to Peking, and to build a branch line to the coast at Vladivostok.

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ROUTING TELEGRAMS

THE PROTECTED MALAY STATES. Mr. Hugh Clifford, Resident at Peking, has given a lecture on the Federated Malay States at the Colonial Institute, Sir Clement Smith presided, and Mr. W. Treacher, Assistant at Peking, and Sir Hugh Low were present among others. Mr. Clifford dwelt on the great increase of prosperity and security in the States, but, looking to the future, he said he saw many dangers threatening the States, and many others menacing their complete success in the administration of the Federated States. The lecturer paid a tribute to Sir Andrew Clarke, Sir Clement Smith, Sir Frank Swettenham and Mr. Weld, who, he said, had given the Malays a new life and new worth living.

THE TRANSVAAL. Seven thousand five hundred and eighty people, mostly women and children, left Johannesburg in May and June.

GERMANY. Herr von Bismarck has been created a Count.

NOTES FROM ENGLAND.

THE KOWLOON HINTERLAND. (By our Own Correspondent.) Judging by the accounts that have appeared in the papers, the preliminary difficulties in taking over the Kowloon Hinterland have elicited comparatively little interest in this country. Many of the officials appear to have acted with promptitude, and to have bravely upheld the honour of the flag. But in spite of this, one cannot help feeling the absence of any well-defined plan, and above all of a strong leader. If the end of this trouble brings about the occupation of Kowloon City and the hinterland of the Customs officials to Chinese Territory some good purpose will have been served. Less than this cannot be regarded as satisfactory.

CHINA 'IS EXTREME'. This is a phrase that is often seen in papers dealing with China. It expresses a fear rather than an actual state. In no other country has China so many true friends and well-wishers as in Great Britain. If the officials are not aware of the existence of this kindly feeling (and it is difficult to see that they are not) it is in South China the people are not slow to decide in favour of Tai Ying Kwok rather than some other countries now striving to establish themselves in China. Not long ago a leading London daily paper spoke of South China as practically a French Province. If that had been said of Kwong-chow and the country in the immediate neighbourhood, it would only have been partially true. To describe the Province of Kwangtung and Kwangsi as French is manifestly absurd. The very existence of Hongkong demands that these two Provinces cannot be alienated to any power other than Great Britain.

RUSSIA IN CHINA. It is universally admitted that China alone always presents a problem of extreme difficulty. But when to the williness of the Chinese is added the duplicity of Russia, the question is far too great for ordinary mortals. Mr. Stead, in the opening pages of the Review of Reviews for May, sounds a note of peace. The difficulties between Great Britain and Russia are things belonging to the past. It is only fair to him to say that this feeling was pretty generally shared by the people in England. You know the sequel. A few days after the trumpet of peace was sounded Russia made a demand that the railway from Port Arthur in the Liaotung peninsula should be connected with the railway running from Newchwang to Peking. Once more every eye held their breath, not knowing what the next demand would be. Then came the statement of the British Government that the demand of Russia was in accordance with the terms of the new agreement. Before the public had time to recover from this second blow, the time for the meeting of the Peace Conference had arrived.

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THE FRANCO-CHINESE FRONTIER

CHINESE CUSTOM HOUSE ATTACKED. FRENCH CONSULATE PLUNDERED. SAFETY OF THE FOREIGNERS. HONGKONG, June 28. Information reaches us of a daring outrage at Mengzi, an important town on the Franco-Chinese frontier in the Province of Yunnan. Only the briefest details have come to hand, but those indicate that a band of armed Chinese attacked the Imperial Maritime Customs Station and the French Consulate, burning down the houses of the Commissioner and the Customs Assistant, and plundering the quarters of the Outdoor Staff and the French Consulate. The outrage occurred early in the morning of Thursday, the 22nd inst. Fortunately, all the foreigners are safe.

The foreigners living at Mengzi are Mr. Spinnery (Commissioner) and Mrs. Spinnery; Mr. Oldham, Assistant; Mr. Miller and Mr. Miller, outdoor staff—all of the Imperial Chinese Maritime Customs; and M. de la Balle, French Consul.

The cause of this sudden outbreak of anti-foreign feeling is not known, but we believe that it is not wholly unconnected with the recent visit of Mr. Doumer, the Governor-General of Indo-China, to Yunnan-fu. M. Doumer, it will be remembered, made the journey to a frontier town to consult with Marshal Su, the general whose presence on the frontier has had such a beneficial effect in suppressing Block Flag raids on the small military posts in Tonkin. After this conference, Marshal Su was suddenly summoned to Peking, passing through Hongkong last week on his way by steamer from Canton to Shanghai. M. Doumer continued his journey to Yunnan-fu, but he did not make a prolonged stay. (This matter is referred to elsewhere.) After he had passed through Mengzi, murmurings of an anti-French nature were heard, and it was feared an attack would be made upon the little band of foreigners whose duty compels them to reside in Mengzi.

It will be interesting to watch and compare France's action over this affair with Great Britain's in the Kowloon Hinterland. France has now an excuse for seizing a Chinese Province, and as she is anxious to anticipate the British railway coming in from Burma, she might take this opportunity of blocking Britain out of Szechuen. We would not be astonished if French troops are pushed on to Yunnan-fu, and if they once get there it will not be an easy task to dislodge them. All over the empire, the Chinese are playing a losing game and playing it very badly.

THE UN LOONG MURDERS. RECOVERY OF THE BODIES. As we stated in our last issue, the principal participants in the murders at Un Loong are all under arrest, the sixth man, a Chinese soldier named Lam Pak To, being in the custody of the Chinese authorities at Nam Tso. Captain Superintendent F. H. May and the others engaged in the investigation of the case are deserving of commendation for the successful result of their investigations. The Police authorities laboured under considerable difficulties from the fact that some of the gentry of the village of Un Loong are implicated in the murders and the natives were very reticent regarding the occurrence. Yesterday, Captain Superintendent May, Chief Detective Inspector Hanson and several Police officers proceeded to Un Loong to search for the two missing bodies in the creek. Two crates containing the dead bodies of the murdered men were dug up from the mud of the creek. There was a locked chain round the neck of each of the bodies. The Police had the bodies placed in coffins and decently buried. The big crates were brought into Hongkong. At the Magistrate's office this afternoon, Ng Ki Cheung, Ng Tong and Lai Tak Lap were brought up on remand charged with the murder of Chin Kwei Sui Tasi on 17th April.

Chun On (readily) said in his former evidence when he spoke of the dan he referred to the Ng clan. Yesterday, witness with the Police to the river at Un Loong, and saw two pig crates dug up. Two bodies were found in them. At the place where the bodies were dug up he saw a shoe dug up. That was one of Chin Kwei Sui Tasi's shoes. He was wearing that shoe the last time witness saw him alive.

Chun Sing, keeper of a brick kiln at Tung Kwok Lung in the Shan Pui Hoang Valley, near Un Loong, identified the first two prisoners. At six o'clock on the evening of 17th April, a second defendant came to his brick kiln and said that he had been asked to tell him to kill Chin Kwei Sui Tasi. Witness went back with him to the meeting house. When he got there Cheung Tse called out, 'Don't kill, let us do this.' Witness then went away.

Kwan Pui Chi and he belonged to Un Loong. He knew the three prisoners. Witness gave a similar statement to that which he gave in the previous case regarding the murder of the three men by shooting and drowning in the creek.

Two of the witnesses in the previous case also gave evidence.

The case was then adjourned all three to appear tomorrow.

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Some people are so busy criticizing people that they have no time left for practical work.

Can the power be used when you have nothing to do?

THE DEATH OF AN AMERICAN BLOCKADE

At the Magistrate's office, Mr. T. S. Scombe Smith, Coroner, gave his verdict in the inquest on the death of an American blockade named McPherson, whose dead body was found in Stanley Street on 10th June.

His Worship having reviewed the evidence, said:—In considering this case there are four theories which present themselves to the Court to account for this man being found where he was and in the condition in which he was. The first theory is, he might have fallen elsewhere from a height and been carried to this place where he was found. The second theory is that he might have been running down Stanley Street and fallen headlong. The third theory is that he might have rolled down Stanley Street over the steps immediately to the south of where he was found. The fourth theory is that he fell from the verandah of No. 2 bedroom of the Stag Hotel.

With regard to the first theory that he fell elsewhere from a height and was carried to the place,—Against the truth of that theory there are several facts: First, the e is no trace of the blood on any road or path over which he was carried; second, there was no blood on his body. Then I should ask why this body was placed exactly where it was placed, and why it was placed in a position in which it was found, and further death being instantaneous, as proved by the doctor's evidence, blood ceasing to flow a few minutes after death, the stream of blood on the spot negates the theory of the man having been carried there. With regard to the second theory, that the man ran down Stanley Street and fell headlong, it stands to reason that the body would not have been parallel with the steps but at right angles to the steps, i.e. the body would have been parallel with the street, but not at right angles to the street, as it was found. With regard to the third theory that the man rolled down Stanley Street steps, I remark as follows, that in that case the thigh would not have been broken and the momentum would probably have carried the body further down than where it was found and the two lacerated wounds on the forehead, the distance between which corresponds with the distance between the knee on the man's right hand and the head, would not have been inflicted by a man merely rolling over it. These remarks seem to me to dispose of the first, second and third theories. Then I come to the fourth theory, viz. that man fell from the verandah of the No. 2 bedroom of the Stag Hotel. Well, No. 2 bedroom is the Stag Hotel, No. 2 bedroom is the Stag Hotel, No. 2 bedroom is the Stag Hotel.

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